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SUBJECT: UAE CANDIDACY FOR ELECTION TO ECOSOC

REF: ABU DHABI 1249

1. IN REPLY DIP NOTE REPORTED REFTEL, EMBASSY SHOULD
GIVE USUAL ASSURANCES OF "CAREFUL CONSIDERATION" BY USG
WHEN TAKING ITS POSITION ON ELECTIONS TO ECOSOC AT 32ND
GA, AT SAME TIME NOTING THAT "IT IS CUSTOMARY US PRACTICE
DEFER TAKING A POSITION ON ELECTIONS TO UN BODIES UNTIL
PREFERENCES OF RESPECTIVE REGIONAL GROUPS HAVE BEEN
INDICATED."

2. FYI: GUIDANCE BY REGIONAL PREFERENCE IS ACCEPTED
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UN PRACTICE WHICH US FOLLOWS TO AVOID COMPLICATIONS
IN BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH CONTENDING STATES, REGIONAL
RESENTMENT OF US INTERVENTION, AND FUTILITY OF SUPPORTING
CANDIDATES NOT SPONSORED BY REGION DIRECTLY CONCERNED.
26TH GA RESOLUTION ENLARGING ECOSOC TO 54 MEMBERS AND
ALLOCATING THESE SEATS GEOGRAPHICALLY GIVES 14 SEATS TO
AFRICAN STATES AND 11 TO ASIAN STATES BUT MAKES NO

REFERENCE TO ARAB STATES. WHILE ARAB LEAGUE ENDORSEMENT

UAE CANDIDACY SHOULD PROVE USEFUL UAE IN OBTAINING
ASIAN ENDORSEMENT, OUTCOME CANNOT BE ASSURED THIS FAR
IN ADVANCE ACTUAL ELECTIONS SOMETIME NEXT AUTUMN DURING
32ND GA. DEPT THEREFORE NOT IN POSITION DEPART FROM
ITS USUAL PRACTICE. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED ECOSOC
TERMS ARE THREE, NOT TWO, YEARS, AND ECOSOC A "PRINCIPAL
ORGAN" (ALONG WITH GA, SC, TC, ICI, AND SECRETARIAT) OF
UN AND NOT "GOVERNING BODY." END FYI

3. IN ORDER BE AS FORTHCOMING AS POSSIBLE IN SITUATION,
EMBASSY MAY, AT ITS DISCRETION, INFORM FONMIN ORALLY
THAT US WOULD BE PLEASED SEE UAE ON ECOSOC AND HOPES
IT SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING ASIAN ENDORSEMENT FOR ONE OF
ASIAN SEATS, ON WHICH SUCCESS ITS CANDIDACY
ESSENTIALLY DEPENDS. FYI: DEPT CANNOT GO FURTHER THAN
THIS BECAUSE A PROMISE NOW OF SUPPORT IF REGIONAL
ENDORSEMENT OBTAINED COULD BE USED BY UAEG IN EFFORT
OBTAIN SUCH ENDORSEMENT. END FYI.

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